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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: *Fu et al.*

SERIAL NO.: 09/967,238

FILED: September 27, 2001

FOR: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING RELATIVE  
ABUNDANCE OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES**

EXAMINER: F.W.M. Lu

ART UNIT: 1634

CONFIRMATION NO. 6602

**Amendment and Response to Office Action**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed May 11, 2004 in the above-identified application, please amend the application as indicated below. Enclosed herewith are a Petition for a two-month extension of time and a check for the fee of \$215.

The date for response with a two-month extension falls on Monday, October 11, 2004, which is a Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, thus extending the time for response with a two-month extension to Tuesday, October 12, 2004.

No further fees are believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees herein to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.